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SKETCH BOOK OF BAXTER.

NO. 3.

The colors in the rainbow are not more striking than the scenes witnessed in an election in the 60's as compared with the scenes of '08.

The sun never rose on a more lovely morn than April 5, 1898. Two weeks of rainy weather had closed the previous evening, and Baxter, so different from all other towns and cities, was without mud. At 8 o'clock a. m. the polls were opened and voting began. About 9 o'clock the voting became quite brisk and continued until nearly all the registered voters were polled. As the vote increased in number the wind began to rise and a chilly air greeted the voter as he or she came and went. Carriages were sent for the ladies and as soon as they had voted they passed from the polling places. Not an obscene or profane word was heard at the polls during the day.

How different from the scenes of '08! Not a woman was seen on the streets then unless it was to get some man out of trouble. The officers were busy and the report of a revolver was common. If a marital quarrel interfered with what was considered the "personal liberties" of a man he was promptly shot. The early history of the city has recorded the shooting of three married men and any number of private individuals. In '08 an honest German came to town on election day and was welcomed by the usual Western question: "Where are you from?" "Do you expect to make this your home?" "Yes; then come on and vote." The stranger attempts to excuse himself, but no excuse would be taken—he votes, and is of course thoroughly Americanized. A boy only sixteen years of age comes in on that day and he must vote and vote. He complies and from that hour considers himself a man in Kansas. Later on, when Baxter and Columbus must determine the county seat location they used the voting system, and the only question in doubt was which had the largest hotel and could furnish the largest number of names. Thus Columbus, with the help of Lola township, won the victory.

How changed in thirty years! Yes, in less than twenty! But by far the greatest in less than ten. One ballot, and only one, could be cast, and that not until the voter was on his or her beat to the voting booth to mark the ballot. No person could dictate that ballot. Alone with his conscience and his God he must mark his ballot. Only for that poor man or woman who was as unfortunate as to live under circumstances in his youth which deprived him or her of the privileges of a schoolroom was there an opportunity for dishonesty. Then the judge, if a dishonest person, might decide the voter.

This is called the Australian Ballot, because it was first used in Australia, although it has been variously modified in the several states of our Union where now used.

It is interesting to know how and by whom this excellent system was devised. England, during the last century, applied capital punishment to many crimes and imprisonment to many more. It was impossible to furnish prison room for all. In 1790 she transported 800

convicts to Botany Bay, and continued until 1840. Some of the finest scholars of England had been banished. Now, as nearly all law is developed from necessity in the protection of society so this law was developed by some of the able convicts in self protection.

While our city election passed off so quietly and so pleasantly and we find such a vast and striking contrast in the elections of Baxter in '08 and '98 we regret to chronicle a few slight offenses against our law allowed by our city authority. 1. Was a man running for office who was permitted to act as one of the judges. 2. That another of the judges was permitted to open and look at the ballots when handed to him. 3. That one of the candidates should be permitted to make himself so familiar with the judges' desk and papers and also to handle a ticket that was in the hands of an elector.

It was encouraging to many in Baxter to think that only one saloon was running by the sanction of the mayor during that day—so vastly different from thirty years ago. These slight violations of order may by vigilance in the future be prevented and how thankful we should be that in 1898 there is a legal process by which we may reach and correct the mistakes of last Tuesday.

As we do not wish to mar the readers tranquility in perusing this article we prefer to delay for another chapter, in the future, a rehearsal of one of the most diabolical plots that we have heard of in many a day which was concocted in that saloon Tuesday morning. Also a few words are required to the church on virtue and temperance with prayer.

E. O. NOBLE.

The two-year-old son of W. L. Furgason, of Bolton, Miss., had whooping cough. "After several physicians had prescribed for him, without giving relief," writes Mr. Furgason, "I persuaded my wife to try a 25 cent bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The first dose had the desired effect, and in forty-eight hours he was entirely free from all cough. I consider your remedy the best in the market, especially for children and recommend it at all times." The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by W. E. Price.

LOWELL ACADEMY.

The News published a large advertisement for this institution in our large and special advertising number and now comes some cheering news for this worthy and flourishing school. "The Lowell Academy has just received word that Prof. Hannah E. Davis of the University of North Dakota has recently died and has bequeathed us his library containing a large collection of choice volumes; his cabinet, a fine collection made in this country and Europe; and \$500 as a beginning for an endowment fund. The spring term opened last Tuesday with quite a number of new students."

CHAS. E. COBAND, Prin.

Lowell has reason to be proud of the above donations. The Library and Cabinet are worth a mint to that community.

The best liniment—"Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the finest on earth," writes Edwards & Parker of Plains, Ga. This is the verdict of all who use it. For rheumatism, lame back, sprains, swellings and the numerous slight ailments and accidents common to every household, this liniment has no equal. With it in the house, a great deal of pain and suffering may be avoided. For sale by W. E. Price.

Lecture Postponed.

Through an unavoidable circumstance the lecture by Prof. Benton from Baker University on "Patriotism Illustrated by Samuel Adams" is postponed. Due notice will be given when the next date is determined.

"Little colds" neglected costs thousands of deaths yearly. People who have used Dr. Sawyer's Wild Cherry and Tar, recommend it even for consumption. W. E. Price drug store.

Mantello Photos at 50c a dozen until April 16 at Photo Car.

LIGHT DRAYING DONE DAY OR NIGHT, BY MAC GILL.

April 16—last day on Photos at 50c a dozen.

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John M. Cooper attended the Congressional convention at Independence Wednesday.

For good work leave your laundry with Don Fenton at express office—Galena Steam Laundry.

Senorets purify the blood and beautify the complexion—Cure constipation. 25 cents. W. E. Price drug store.

Mrs. A. Macdonald, who is taking treatment at Kansas City, is improving in health, we are glad to say.

Senorets cure chronic constipation, kidney and liver complaint. Price 25 cents. W. E. Price drug store.

Quinoria is guaranteed to cure chills, fever and all malarial disorders. No cure, no pay. W. E. Price drug store.

Parties having business in Coffeyburg, Mo., should stop at the Beckman House, the best in the city.

Bromoline will positively cure a cold in 24 hours. No cure, no pay. 25 cents. W. E. Price drug store.

Marion Thomas was re-elected city marshal at Empire City Tuesday, and Carl Andrews, editor of the Empire Journal, was elected city clerk.

That dark brown taste and horrid breath you have in the morning is caused by inactive liver. Some medicines relieve for a while, others for a few days, but Herbine cures. W. E. Price.

Mrs. S. A. Day of Nevada, Mo., visited relatives in the city this week. She returned home Thursday, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Harry Stein.

Is your child puny, peeked and peevish? Does it have convulsions? If so, it has worms. White's Cream Vermifuge is the only safe cure. Every bottle is guaranteed to bring worms. 25c. W. E. Price.

J. J. Fribley tells us that he has sold more grass seed so far this year than in any four years before. We are glad to note this because the successful farmers are those who raise tame grass for their stock.

Ballard's Snow Liniment cures Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headache, Sick Headache, Sore Throat, Cuts, Sprains, Bruises, Old Sores, Corns, and all pain and inflammation. The most penetrating liniment in the world. Try it; 50c. W. E. Price.

A Washington dispatch of recent date says the president will pardon Joe Miller, who is now serving a term in the Joliet, Ill., penitentiary for counterfeiting. Miller formerly lived in Baxter.

If you have urinary trouble or pain in the back, indicating kidney disorders, if there be a general loss of energy, we ask you in all fairness to use Dr. Sawyer's Ukatine. Thousands bear evidence to the fact that it cures. W. E. Price drug store.

Judging from the amount of Studebaker buggies J. J. Fribley is turning out one is led to believe that the people know a good thing when they see it, and will only buy the best. It is a mark of good judgment to own a Studebaker wagon or buggy.

"I feel it my duty to give you a truthful statement of what Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and diarrhea Remedy did," writes J. S. Collins, of Moore, S. C., "I had a child about two years old that had diarrhea for two months. I tried all the best known remedies, but none gave the least relief. When this remedy came to hand, I gave it as directed, and in two days the child was completely cured." Sold by W. E. Price.

Remember, we have a large lot of chattel mortgage blanks. Also blank bills of sale.

FOR DIPHTHERIA.

The time of year for diphtheria has arrived and the Scientific American offers this receipt. It is one that every family should know. Cut it out and paste it in your scrap book or keep it handy for reference: At the first indication of diphtheria in the throat of the child, make the room close, then take a tin cup and pour into it a quantity of tar and turpentine, equal parts. Then hold the cup over the fire, so as to fill the room with fumes. The little patient, on inhaling the fumes, will cough and spit out all the membranous matter, and the diphtheria will pass out. The fumes of the tar and turpentine loosen the matter in the throat, and thus afford the relief that has baffled the skill of physicians.

A Queer (?) Medicine.

There is a Medicine whose proprietors do not claim to have discovered some hitherto unknown ingredient, or that it is a cure-all. This honest medicine only claims to cure certain diseases, and that its ingredients are recognized by the most skilled physicians as being the best for kidney and bladder diseases. It is Foley's Kidney Cure. Polster.

A Misconception Caused by a Bad Cold.

A New Castle paper tells a story on a young Justice of the Peace of that town. He went with his wife to visit a house where there had been a recent addition to the family. The woman of the house met them at the door and he asked after the welfare of the baby. She was a little deaf from a cold and supposed he was inquiring about her cold. She replied that though she usually had one every winter, this was the worst she ever had; it kept her awake a good deal at first, and confined her to her bed. Then noticing that the 'Squire was getting pale and nervous, she said she could tell by his looks that he was going to have one just like hers, and she asked him to go and lie down.

Have You Had the Grip?

If you have, you probably need a reliable medicine like Foley's Honey and Tar to heal your lungs and stop the racking cough incidental to this disease. J. G. Polster.

The Baxter Springs News issued an extra size paper last week, which was chuck full of advertisements. It was a stroke of enterprise on the part of the publisher for which he deserves great credit. It cannot fail to do Baxter Springs much good, and especially since its business men were so thoroughly represented by nicely displayed ads. Bro. Smith was naughty, however, in making disparaging remarks about Chetopa and some other towns. What he said about the other towns may be true, for all we know, but Chetopa is all right. Judging from last week's News, we think Baxter Springs is all right too. Of course it isn't as good a town as Chetopa, and we presume jealousy caused by a knowledge of this fact is what caused Bro. Smith to speak disparagingly of our bustling city. We freely forgive him, for our sympathy always goes out to anyone troubled with jealousy, dyspepsia or overflowing of the gall.—Chetopa Democrat.

A Life for soc.

Many people have been cured of kidney diseases by taking a 50c. bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure. J. G. Polster.

KIDNEY DISEASES

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Notice for Publication.

Land office at Topeka, Kan., Feb. 18, 1908. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim, and that said proof will be made before the clerk of the district court at Columbus, Kansas, on April 24, 1908. via: Irene Carney, Baxter Springs, Kansas; application No. 1335, for the lots 1 and 2 of northwest quarter of section 16, township 35 S., range 25 E. of 6th p. m.

She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Orlando Pence of Columbus; William Love of Baxter Springs; Major Thompson of Baxter Springs; Maude Pence of Columbus. H. VON LANGEN, R.

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